

Five things you need to know today

Tourist Tax

Tourist tax or Transient Visitor Levy will be discussed at the City Chambers where the Policy and Sustainability Committee will hear the positive results of the recent consultation, and it will also be discussed at The Scottish Parliament where a committee will go through the bill line by line to make any agreed amendments to the legislation.

[Read more here.](#)



Tourists and locals struggled with the tail end of Storm Babet

on the Royal Mile PHOTO Alan Simpson

The Water of Leith Conservation Trust

The work which the Water of Leith Conservation Trust does is immense. On Monday they moved more than 20 bags of rubbish from the waterway – all while some of them were using waders.

An active morning wading from Currie Kirk to Waulkmill Loan and a clean up at King George Park. Over 20 bags of rubbish removed locally to keep [#Currie](#) clean. Plus time to give local paths some care as well [@Edinburgh_CC](#) [@KSBScotland](#) [@PathsforAll](#) pic.twitter.com/jURJcbYExM

– Water of Leith Conservation Trust (@WOLCT) [March 11, 2024](#)

The Company Bakery has moved

With just one day's closure to allow the bakery to become established in its new home at [Eskmills](#), the Company Bakery has announced that it is baking bread in the Ivanhoe Building there.

As well as the bakery there is to be a coffee shop in the spring all to tempt you out of the city to buy a sourdough or two.

And remember you can also order home delivery.

Cycle challenge

Some of you may be interested in taking part in a cycle challenge from Edinburgh to St Andrews. It is open to everyone who can cycle 60 miles in one day...and e-bikes are welcome. But you have to also be able to make your own way home from St Andrews.

It will follow the Way of St Andrews, one of the eight pilgrim ways in Scotland.

Register on Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cycle-from-edinburgh-to-st-andr-ews-tickets-850300269997>

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Paolozzi pitch perfect

Leith artist carves out new look for Athletic

By STEPHEN RAFFERTY

THE LEGACY OF world famous artist and Leither Eduardo Paolozzi is helping to support the work of a local football club for which it is believed members of his family played.

The eye-catching special edition Paolozzi football shirt was launched to increase community awareness of Leith Athletic and to raise funds for the launch of girls and women's teams.

The initial run sold out immediately and a new edition - produced on the 100th anniversary of Paolozzi's birth on 7 March - is being shipped worldwide as fans and collectors from as far away as Australia, Brazil, America and The Netherlands, snap up the shirt.

Paolozzi, widely credited as the father of pop art, was born in Leith in 1924 to Italian immigrants and after graduating from the Edinburgh School of Art, became established as a sought-after sculptor, designer, printmaker and in later life, a teacher and academic.

Knighted in 1989, Paolozzi later donated a large body of his work and the contents of his studio to The Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art. Members of Leith Athletic's fledgling girls' squad (left) visited the Modern Two gallery on Belford Road to experience the "Paolozzi at 100" free exhibition which runs until Sunday 21 April.

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